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EXPEDITED PROCEDURE  
EXAMINING GROUP 2814**

**PATENT APPLICATION**  
Docket No. 9898-189  
Client No. SS-15658-US

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of: Yoo-Sang Hwang and Su-Jin Ahn

Serial No. 09/955,388 Examiner: Mai, Anh D.

Confirmation No. 9987

Filed: September 17, 2001 Art Unit: 2814

**For:** SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE HAVING CONTACT PLUG AND  
METHOD FOR MANUFACTURING THE SAME

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Responsive to the Final Office Action dated September 4, 2003, enclosed is an amendment in the above-identified application.

The fee has been calculated as shown below.

<u>CLAIMS AS AMENDED</u>					
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Total Claims	12	12	0	x \$18 =	\$0
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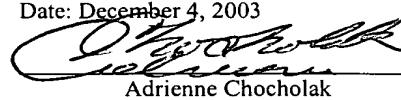
**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTION UNDER 37 CFR 1.116**

Responsive to the Final Office Action, Paper No. 082603, dated September 4, 2003,  
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**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on  
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**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 4 of this paper.

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